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**SENATE JOURNAL  
OF THE  
ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
OF THE  
STATE OF TENNESSEE**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2019**

**FIRST ORGANIZATIONAL DAY**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Senate of the One Hundred Eleventh General Assembly of the State of Tennessee was called to order at twelve o'clock noon by Mr. Speaker McNally in accordance with Article II, Sections 3 and 8 of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee.

**PRESENTATION**

Senator Haile introduced the 118th Tennessee Air National Guard Honor Guard who presented the colors.

**PRESENTATION**

Senator Massey introduced the UT Singers who sang "The National Anthem".

**PRAYER**

The proceedings were opened with prayer by Pastor Ron Jordan of First Baptist Church in Lenoir City, Tennessee a guest of Mr. Speaker McNally and Senator Bell.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

August 27, 2018

The Honorable Bill Haslam  
Governor of Tennessee  
First Floor, State Capitol  
Nashville, TN 37243

Dear Governor Haslam,

This is to inform you that I hereby resign from the Tennessee General Assembly as senator for the 13th District effective August 31, 2018, in order to take office as Rutherford County Mayor. Serving the people of the 13th District has been a privilege and an honor and I am proud to have worked on their behalf.

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I also appreciate the opportunity to have served with such dedicated members and staff of the General Assembly, as well as those in the executive and judicial branches of state government. I will cherish their friendship.

With warmest regards,

/s/ Bill Ketron

August 29, 2018

The Honorable Bill Haslam  
First Floor, State Capitol  
Nashville, TN 37243

Dear Governor Haslam:

On August 2, voters in my community elected me as the next mayor of Shelby County, Tennessee. I am fortunate. Shelby County is the largest county in our state and a county with unlimited potential. However, according to advice from the Tennessee Attorney General's office, state law prohibits county mayors from serving in any other elected capacity.

Please accept this letter as notice of my resignation from the Tennessee State Senate. I would respectfully request that my resignation be effective at 11:59 p.m. on Friday, August 31, 2018.

All the best to you and the citizens of the great state of Tennessee,

/s/ Lee Harris

November 1, 2018

The Honorable Bill Haslam  
Governor of Tennessee  
First Floor, State Capitol  
Nashville, TN 37243

Re: Notice of Resignation

Dear Governor Haslam:

The time has come for me to give formal notice of my resignation from the Tennessee Senate in order to assume my new responsibilities as a United States District Court Judge.

My resignation will become effective upon appointment by the President of the United States, and I will notify you upon receipt of the Presidential Commission effectuating same.

As you know, my nomination to become a federal judge was confirmed by the United States Senate on October 11, 2018. I have worked to conclude matters at my Senate and law offices since then. I hope to be able to assume my new responsibilities sometime next week.

It has been an honor and a privilege to represent the citizens of Senate District 32 since 2000. Serving as Senate Majority Leader since 2007 has also given me the opportunity of a lifetime

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to work closely with my colleagues in the Senate, and with you, to make Tennessee a better place. Though I will miss the General Assembly, I look forward to the next dimension of public service in the federal judiciary and the opportunity to defend our republic and uphold the rule of law.

I have often said that history in the making is sometimes hard to see while in the midst of making it. Looking back, I see the history we have made together, and I take pride in knowing the future is brighter as a result.

Thank you for your service and your friendship. With high regards and all best wishes, I remain

Yours truly,

/s/ Mark Norris  
Senator

November 20, 2018

The Honorable Bill Haslam  
1st Floor, State Capitol  
Nashville, TN 37243

Dear Governor Haslam,

This is to inform you that I hereby resign from the Tennessee General Assembly as senator for the 22nd District effective 8:00 a.m., January 3, 2019.

Serving the people of this district for the last six years has been a privilege and an honor and I am proud to have worked on their behalf. I also appreciate the opportunity to serve alongside the dedicated members and staff of the Tennessee General Assembly. Further, working with you, Crissy and the administration has been a joy. I will cherish the friendships formed in this service for my entire lifetime.

Sincerely,

/s/ Mark E. Green, MD

**OATH OF OFFICE OF SENATORS-ELECT**

The following Senators-elect, found to be duly elected and qualified stood and were administered the oath prescribed by the Constitution of the State of Tennessee and Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-1-105, by the Honorable Mark Norris, U.S. District Court Judge Western District of Tennessee.

First Senatorial District -- Steve Southerland, representing Cocke, Green, Hamblen and Sevier Counties.

Second Senatorial District -- Art Swann, representing Blount and Sevier Counties.

Third Senatorial District -- Dewey E. "Rusty" Crowe II, representing Carter, Unicoi and Washington Counties.

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Fifth Senatorial District -- Randy McNally, representing Anderson, part of Knox and Loudon Counties.

Seventh Senatorial District -- Richard Briggs, representing part of Knox County.

Ninth Senatorial District -- Mike Bell, representing Bradley, McMinn, Meigs, Monroe and Polk Counties.

Eleventh Senatorial District -- Bo Watson, representing part of Hamilton County.

Thirteenth Senatorial District -- Dawn White, representing part of Rutherford County.

Fifteenth Senatorial District -- Paul Bailey, representing Bledsoe, Cumberland, Jackson, Overton, Putnam and White Counties.

Seventeenth Senatorial District -- Mark Pody, representing Cannon, Clay, Dekalb, Macon, Smith and Wilson Counties.

Nineteenth Senatorial District -- Brenda Gilmore, representing part of Davidson County.

Twenty-first Senatorial District -- Jeff Yarbrow, representing part of Davidson County.

Twenty-third Senatorial District -- Jack Johnson, representing Williamson County.

Twenty-fifth Senatorial District -- Kerry Roberts, representing Cheatham, Dickson, Hickman, Humphreys and Robertson Counties.

Twenty-seventh Senatorial District -- Ed Jackson, representing Crockett, Dyer, Lake, Lauderdale and Madison Counties.

Twenty-ninth Senatorial District -- Raumes Akbari, representing part of Shelby County.

Thirty-first Senatorial District -- Brian Kelsey, representing part of Shelby County.

Thirty-third Senatorial District -- Katrina Robinson, representing part of Shelby County.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll call was taken with the following results:

Present . . . . . 31

Senators present were: Akbari, Bailey, Bell, Bowling, Briggs, Crowe, Dickerson, Gardenhire, Gilmore, Gresham, Haile, Hensley, Jackson, Johnson, Kelsey, Kyle, Lundberg, Massey, Niceley, Pody, Reeves, Roberts, Robinson, Southerland, Stevens, Swann, Watson, White, Yager, Yarbrow and Mr. Speaker McNally--31.

**ADOPTION OF TEMPORARY RULES**

Senator Johnson moved the Temporary Rules of the Senate of the One Hundred Tenth General Assembly be made the Temporary Rules of the Senate of the One Hundred Eleventh General Assembly.

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Senator Yarbrow seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes ..... 31  
Noes ..... 0

Senators present were: Akbari, Bailey, Bell, Bowling, Briggs, Crowe, Dickerson, Gardenhire, Gilmore, Gresham, Haile, Hensley, Jackson, Johnson, Kelsey, Kyle, Lundberg, Massey, Niceley, Pody, Reeves, Roberts, Robinson, Southerland, Stevens, Swann, Watson, White, Yager, Yarbrow and Mr. Speaker McNally--31.

**MR. SPEAKER MCNALLY RELINQUISHES CHAIR**

Mr. Speaker McNally relinquished the Chair to Senator Haile as Speaker pro tempore.

**ELECTION OF SPEAKER**

Speaker Pro Tempore Haile announced the first order of business was the election of a Speaker and stated that nominations for the position were in order.

Senator Johnson placed in nomination the name of Senator McNally, of Anderson County, representing the 5th Senatorial District.

Senator Yager seconded the nomination of Senator McNally.

Senator Watson moved the nominations cease and the Clerk be directed to call the roll, which motion prevailed.

The roll call was taken with the following results:

Senator McNally ..... 26

Senators voting for Senator McNally: Bailey, Bell, Bowling, Briggs, Crowe, Dickerson, Gardenhire, Gresham, Haile, Hensley, Jackson, Johnson, Kelsey, Lundberg, Massey, Niceley, Pody, Reeves, Roberts, Southerland, Stevens, Swann, Watson, White, Yager and Mr. Speaker McNally--26.

Speaker Pro Tempore Haile declared that Senator McNally, having received a majority of votes of the Senate membership, was duly, legally, constitutionally elected Speaker of the Senate and Lieutenant Governor of the One Hundred Eleventh General Assembly of the State of Tennessee.

**APPOINTMENT OF SELECT COMMITTEE**

Speaker Pro Tempore Haile appointed a committee composed of Senators Bell, Bowling and Watson to escort Mr. Speaker McNally to the chair.

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**OATH OF OFFICE OF SPEAKER**

The oath of office was administered to Mr. Speaker McNally by the Honorable Mark Norris, U.S. District Court Judge Western District of Tennessee.

**MR. SPEAKER MCNALLY RESUMES CHAIR**

Mr. Speaker McNally resumed the Chair.

**APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS**

The Speaker announced the appointment of Mr. Russell Humphrey of Williamson County, Chief Clerk; Mr. Alan Whittington of Davidson County, Deputy Chief Clerk; and Mr. Don Keaton of Wilson County, Chief Sergeant at Arms.

**OATH OF OFFICE OF OFFICERS**

Mr. Speaker McNally administered the oath of office to Mr. Russell Humphrey, Chief Clerk; Mr. Alan Whittington, Deputy Chief Clerk; and Mr. Don Keaton, Chief Sergeant at Arms.

**MOTION**

Senator Johnson moved that a committee be appointed by the Speaker to notify the Governor the Senate had perfected its organization and was ready for the transaction of business, which motion prevailed.

Senator Yarbro seconded the motion.

**APPOINTMENT OF SELECT COMMITTEE**

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee to notify the Governor the Senate had perfected its organization and was ready for the transaction of business: Senators Akbari, Haile, Johnson, Yager and Yarbro. Senator Haile served as Chairperson of this committee.

**MOTION**

Senator Johnson moved that a committee be appointed by the Speaker to notify the House of Representatives the Senate had perfected its organization and was ready for the transaction of business, which motion prevailed.

**APPOINTMENT OF SELECT COMMITTEE**

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee to notify the House of Representatives the Senate had perfected its organization and was ready for the transaction of business: Senators Gilmore, Niceley, Pody, Robinson, Swann and White. Senator Niceley served as Chairperson of this committee.

**RECESS**

Without objection, the Senate stood in recess awaiting the reports of the Select Committees.

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The Senate was called to order by Mr. Speaker McNally.

**ROLL CALL**

The Speaker declared that a quorum was present.

On motion, the roll call was dispensed with.

**REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEES**

Senator Niceley advised the Senate the House of Representatives had been notified the Senate had perfected its organization and was ready for the transaction of business.

Senator Haile advised the Senate the Governor had been notified the Senate had perfected its organization and was ready for the transaction of business.

**MOTION**

Senator Johnson moved that Rules 32, 33 and 37 be suspended for the introduction and immediate consideration of **Senate Joint Resolution No. 42**, out of order, which motion prevailed.

**INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION**

**Senate Joint Resolution No. 42** by Senator Johnson.

General Assembly, Joint Conventions -- Calls joint convention to elect comptroller and state treasurer on January 9, 2019.

On motion of Senator Johnson, the rules were suspended for the immediate consideration of the resolution.

On motion, **Senate Joint Resolution No. 42** was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes .....	31
Noes .....	0

Senators voting aye were: Akbari, Bailey, Bell, Bowling, Briggs, Crowe, Dickerson, Gardenhire, Gilmore, Gresham, Haile, Hensley, Jackson, Johnson, Kelsey, Kyle, Lundberg, Massey, Niceley, Pody, Reeves, Roberts, Robinson, Southerland, Stevens, Swann, Watson, White, Yager, Yarbrow and Mr. Speaker McNally--31.

A motion to reconsider was tabled.

**MOTION**

Senator Johnson moved that Rules 32, 33 and 37 be suspended for the introduction and immediate consideration of **Senate Joint Resolution No. 41**, out of order, which motion prevailed.

**INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION**

**Senate Joint Resolution No. 41** by Senator Johnson.

General Assembly -- Establishes joint committee to count and compare vote of November 2018 general election for governor.

On motion of Senator Johnson, the rules were suspended for the immediate consideration of the resolution.

On motion, **Senate Joint Resolution No. 41** was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes . . . . . 31  
Noes . . . . . 0

Senators voting aye were: Akbari, Bailey, Bell, Bowling, Briggs, Crowe, Dickerson, Gardenhire, Gilmore, Gresham, Haile, Hensley, Jackson, Johnson, Kelsey, Kyle, Lundberg, Massey, Niceley, Pody, Reeves, Roberts, Robinson, Southerland, Stevens, Swann, Watson, White, Yager, Yarbrow and Mr. Speaker McNally--31.

A motion to reconsider was tabled.

**MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE**

January 8, 2019

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the House to notify the Senate that the House has perfected its organization and is ready for the transaction of business. The Honorable Glen Casada of Williamson County was elected Speaker. The Speaker appointed Ms. Tammy Letzler, Chief Clerk; Ms. Kim Cox, Assistant Chief Clerk; Mr. Daniel Hicks, Parliamentarian; and Mr. Greg Glass, Chief Engrossing Clerk.

TAMMY LETZLER,  
Chief Clerk

**APPOINTMENT OF SELECT COMMITTEES**

Mr. Speaker McNally appointed Senators Akbari, Stevens and Watson to the Select Committee to Review Audits and Operations of the Comptroller of the Treasury and the Department of Treasury. Senator Watson will serve as the Chairperson of this committee.

Mr. Speaker McNally appointed Senators Johnson, Yager and Yarbrow to the Select Committee to Canvass Returns on the Governor's Race. Senator Johnson will serve as Chairperson for this committee.

Mr. Speaker McNally appointed the following Temporary Committee on Rules: Senators Haile, Johnson, Stevens, Watson and Yarbrow. Senator Watson will serve as Chairperson.

**MOTION**

Senator Johnson moved, pursuant to Rule 32 and Article II, Section 18 of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee, **Senate Bills Nos. 1 through 21** be passed on first consideration, which motion prevailed.

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

The Speaker announced the following bills were filed for introduction and passed first consideration:

**Senate Bill No. 1** by Senator Kelsey.

Tennessee Bureau of Investigation -- As introduced, creates the Green Alert system within the TBI to assist in the identification and location of a missing veteran at risk. Amends TCA Title 38, Chapter 6, Part 1.

**Senate Bill No. 2** by Senator Haile.

Motor Vehicles -- As introduced, allows owners and operators of vehicles with an illuminated check engine light to elect to have the tailpipe test performed in lieu of the onboard diagnostics test. Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 1; Title 55, Chapter 6 and Title 68, Chapter 201.

**Senate Bill No. 3** by Senator Niceley.

Livestock -- As introduced, prohibits misrepresenting a product as meat or poultry that is not removed from the carcass of slaughtered livestock or poultry. Amends TCA Title 44; Title 53 and Title 68.

**Senate Bill No. 4** by Senator Niceley.

Livestock -- As introduced, exempts farms where rabbit is slaughtered and processed and the meat is sold directly to consumers from permitting requirements for retail food stores. Amends TCA Title 53 and Title 68, Chapter 14, Part 7.

**Senate Bill No. 5** by Senator Niceley.

Agriculture -- As introduced, extends the duration of an industrial hemp grower's license from one year to two years. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 4; Title 43; Title 44, Chapter 6; Title 47, Chapter 26; Title 53 and Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 28.

**Senate Bill No. 6** by Senator Niceley.

Agriculture, Dept. of -- As introduced, requires the department to make an annual report to the house agriculture and natural resources committee and the senate energy, agriculture and natural resources committee concerning the number of industrial hemp licenses applied for and issued during the prior year and the number of acres under cultivation in the prior year. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 4; Title 43; Title 44, Chapter 6; Title 47, Chapter 26; Title 53 and Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 28.

**Senate Bill No. 7** by Senator Roberts.

Taxes, Hotel/Motel -- As introduced, authorizes the City of Ashland City, by ordinance adopted by a two-thirds vote, to levy an occupancy tax of not more than 5 percent on the privilege of staying in any hotel or motel in Ashland City; the ordinance must set forth the manner of collection and administration of the privilege tax; requires that all proceeds received by the municipality from the tax be used for tourism development. Amends TCA Section 67-4-1425.

**Senate Bill No. 8** by Senator Briggs.

Taxes, Amusement -- As introduced, eliminates the amusement tax on health clubs and fitness facilities; eliminates the amusement tax exemption for certain health clubs and fitness facilities. Amends TCA Section 67-6-212 and Section 67-6-330.

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### **Senate Bill No. 9** by Senator Briggs.

Tobacco, Tobacco Products -- As introduced, authorizes Knox County and Knoxville to prohibit, by local ordinance, smoking on the grounds of any playground owned or operated by the local government. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 17.

### **Senate Bill No. 10** by Senator Briggs.

Sentencing -- As introduced, enacts the "JaJuan Latham Act," which increases the penalty for an aggravated assault or homicide that occurs by a person discharging a firearm from within a motor vehicle and the victim is a minor at the time of the offense. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 1 and Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 2.

### **Senate Bill No. 11** by Senator Briggs.

Children -- As introduced, establishes a pilot program for three years to provide child care payments to eligible relative caregivers; requires the department of children's services to publish an annual report containing certain data about the pilot program. Amends TCA Title 37 and Title 71.

### **Senate Bill No. 12** by Senator Briggs.

Courts -- As introduced, requires a court that issues orders granting custody or guardianship of children to relative caregivers to inform the relative caregiver that resources and funding may be available through the department of children's services; defines "relative caregiver" as person within a first, second, or third degree of relationship to the parent or step-parent of a child who may be related through blood, marriage, or adoption. Amends TCA Title 16; Title 36 and Title 37.

### **Senate Bill No. 13** by Senator Briggs.

Special License Plates -- As introduced, creates the Korean Defense Service specialty license plate for issuance to eligible veterans and military service members. Amends TCA Section 55-4-253.

### **Senate Bill No. 14** by Senator Briggs.

Utilities, Utility Districts -- As introduced, authorizes utility districts formed under the Utility District Law of 1937 to provide funding, if approved by the board of commissioners, to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations that provide rescue services within the utility district's service area and that do not provide fire protection services. Amends TCA Title 7, Chapter 82.

### **Senate Bill No. 15** by Senator Briggs.

Milk, Dairy Products -- As introduced, prohibits a person who owns a partial interest in a hooved mammal from using the milk of the animal for the person's personal consumption or other personal use. Amends TCA Title 53, Chapter 3.

### **Senate Bill No. 16** by Senator Akbari.

Gambling -- As introduced, authorizes sports betting in this state only in jurisdictions that approve sports betting by local option election; imposes a 10 percent tax on gaming revenue; distributes 40 percent of the tax to the general fund for general appropriations, 30 percent to Tennessee colleges of applied technologies and community colleges for equipment and capital projects, and 30 percent to local governments for education and infrastructure; establishes the Tennessee gaming commission to regulate sports betting; authorizes the commission to collaborate with the Tennessee bureau of investigation for purposes of enforcement. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 14; Title 38; Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 5; Title 47, Chapter 18; Title 49 and Title 67.

### **Senate Bill No. 17** by Senator Haile.

Registers of Deeds -- As introduced, removes requirement that 52 percent of the 5 percent commission retained by county registers for collecting and reporting recordation tax must be remitted to state treasurer and credited to state general fund. Amends TCA Section 67-4-409.

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### **Senate Bill No. 18** by Senator Massey.

Criminal Procedure -- As introduced, extends the statutes of limitation for certain sexual offenses committed against children when the crime was not reported to law enforcement within three years of the offense. Amends TCA Title 40, Chapter 2, Part 1.

### **Senate Bill No. 19** by Senator Gresham.

Education -- As introduced, authorizes a county or city governing body to require the director of schools to face a retention election; prohibits a local board of education from extending the contract of a director of schools if a majority of those voting on the question vote against retaining the director of schools. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 2.

### **Senate Bill No. 20** by Senator Gresham.

Education -- As introduced, extends the date of the repeal of the Virtual Public Schools Act from June 30, 2019, to June 30, 2023. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 16.

### **Senate Bill No. 21** by Senator Crowe.

Naming and Designating -- As introduced, names the visitor center at the Tipton-Haynes Historic Site in Johnson City in honor of Penny McLaughlin.

## **MOTION**

Senator Johnson moved, pursuant to Rule 21, **Senate Joint Resolutions Nos. 1 and 3 through 40** be passed on first consideration and lie over, which motion prevailed.

## **INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

The Speaker announced the following resolutions were filed for introduction. Pursuant to Rule 21, the resolutions lie over.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 1** by Senator Yager.

Constitutional Amendments -- Proposes amendment to Article VI, Section 5 to provide for the selection of the attorney general and reporter for the state with nomination by the supreme court and confirmation by the general assembly.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 3** by Senator Niceley.

Constitutional Amendments -- Proposes additional language in Article II, Section 28 to prohibit the general assembly from levying, authorizing, or otherwise permitting any state tax on property.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 4** by Senator Roberts.

Memorials, Professional Achievement -- Sheriff Jeff Bledsoe, Tennessee Sheriff of the Year.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 5** by Senator Yager.

Memorials, Death -- Charles E. McNeeley.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 6** by Senator Bailey.

Memorials, Death -- Willard Lacy Upchurch.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 7** by Senator Yager.

Memorials, Death -- Virginia "Ginny" Edwards.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 8** by Senator Yager.

Memorials, Death -- Floyd Thomas Nelson.

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### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 9** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Emeline Thrash Dunn, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 10** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Rebecca Sheaffer Goodwin, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 11** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Casey L. Miller, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 12** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Alé Dalton, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 13** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Adelee Traylor Seidel, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 14** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Nora Snoddy, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 15** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Susan E. Pogue, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 16** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Pirjin Tayip Laser, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 17** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Megan Beaven Feeman, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 18** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Elizabeth "Lizzie" Eisen, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 19** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Elizabeth Anne Goldstein, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 20** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Zachary Brickner, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 21** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Wade Nelson, Jr., 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 22** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Stephen Richards, Jr., 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 23** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Sam Ellis, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 24** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Michael Hill, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 25** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Matthew A. Pierce, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

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### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 26** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Josh Thompson, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 27** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- John R. Burch III, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 28** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Harris Delchamps, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 29** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Grant Adams, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 30** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Liz Rogers, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 31** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Lauren M. Spahn, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 32** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Kaya Grace Porter, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 33** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Julie Anne Rousseau, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 34** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Jennifer L. Lafferty, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 35** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Christopher J. Morris, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 36** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Brennan H. N. McMurry, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 37** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Brian Nock, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 38** by Senator Johnson.

Memorials, Recognition -- Brandon Bocianski, 2019 Nashville's Top 30 Under 30.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 39** by Senator Crowe.

Memorials, Recognition -- Kings Mountain American Legion Post 24, 100th Anniversary.

### **Senate Joint Resolution No. 40** by Senator Crowe.

Memorials, Death -- Tobie L. Bledsoe.

## **VACANT SEAT**

Pursuant to the resignation of the Honorable Mark E. Green, MD, Senator of the 22nd Senatorial District, the seat was vacated on January 3, 2019. The seat remains vacant.

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### **VACANT SEAT**

Pursuant to the resignation of the Honorable Mark Norris, Senator of the 32nd Senatorial District, the seat was vacated on November 8, 2018. Pursuant to the Governor's writs of election, an election will be held on March 12, 2019. The seat remains vacant.

### **MOTION**

Senator Johnson moved the Proposed Schedule for the weeks of January 8, 2019 and January 14, 2019, be adopted and made the action of the Senate, which motion prevailed.

Senator Yarbro seconded the motion.

### **TENNESSEE STATE SENATE 111th GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

#### **SCHEDULE WEEK OF JANUARY 7, 2019**

#### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2019**

##### **FIRST ORGANIZATIONAL DAY**

12:00 noon	Convening of the 111th General Assembly – Senate Chamber <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Oath of Office</li><li>• Adoption of the Temporary Rules</li><li>• Election of Speaker of the Senate</li></ul>
2:00 p.m.	Joint Select Committee to Review the Audits of the Comptroller of the Treasury & the State Treasurer – House Hearing Room V
2:30 p.m.	Joint Select Committee to Audit the Returns of the Governor's Election – House Hearing Room V

#### **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2019**

##### **SECOND ORGANIZATIONAL DAY**

9:00 a.m.	Session – Senate Chamber
9:30 a.m.	Joint Convention – House Chamber <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Election of the Comptroller of the Treasury</li><li>• Election of the State Treasurer</li></ul>

#### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 2019**

##### **THIRD ORGANIZATIONAL DAY**

9:30 a.m.	Session – Senate Chamber
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- Election of Fiscal Review Committee
- Ethics Training, Mr. Drew Rawlins, Executive Director of Bureau of Ethics and Campaign Finance

**TENNESSEE STATE SENATE  
111th GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**SCHEDULE  
WEEK OF JANUARY 14, 2019**

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 18, 2019**

**FOURTH ORGANIZATIONAL DAY**

2:00 p.m.

Session – Senate Chamber

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 2019**

**FIFTH ORGANIZATIONAL DAY AND FIRST LEGISLATIVE DAY**

10:30 a.m.

Session – Senate Chamber

- Regular Orders of Business
- Recess to Governor's Inauguration

11:00 a.m.

Joint Convention – War Memorial Plaza

- Inauguration of Governor Bill Lee

12:30 p.m.

Session – Senate Chamber

- Convening of the First Legislative Day
- Adoption of Senate Schedule
- Appointment of Standing Committees

**REMARKS OF MR. SPEAKER MCNALLY**

Thank you.

A special thanks to my wife Jan, my daughters, Melissa and Maggie, my grandchildren, Haley, Morgan and Trent and to my great-grandchild, Malachi. Your love and support has made all of this possible.

Senate colleagues, it is hard for me to express in words how much I appreciate this great honor and responsibility. I do not take lightly the confidence you have placed in me.

The Senate has been my second home for many years. To serve you as Speaker of the Senate has been a truly humbling experience. I thank you from the bottom of my heart for the opportunity to continue in this role.

I would also like to thank each and every Tennessean. As Speaker of the Senate, it is my great privilege to represent Tennessee as lieutenant governor. I pray I will continue to be equal to the task.

## **TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2019 – 1ST ORGANIZATIONAL DAY**

As we begin this 111th General Assembly, many things are new. We have new leaders in both caucuses in the Senate. We have a new Speaker of the House. And, in a matter of days, we will inaugurate a new governor. Change can be intimidating and even chaotic. But it can also be energizing and refreshing.

We will miss our senate members who have moved on to new challenges. But at the same time, we welcome new leaders bringing new ideas and fresh perspectives.

I look around this chamber and I see some of the strongest and smartest leaders I have ever encountered in public service.

All of you have proven your leadership ability in the past. A new chapter begins today.

In the past eight years, promises made during Republican campaigns became promises kept while in office.

More Tennesseans have a job than ever before. We achieved AAA credit ratings from all three rating agencies. We became the most improved state in the nation in education.

And we cut taxes \$800 million dollars.

This success is NOT a matter of luck. It is the result of dedicated public servants making tough decisions with an eye toward the future.

Our record of success is established. The path to continued success is clear. The only thing standing in the way of future success is ourselves.

We must resist the urge to rest on our laurels. We must resist the urge to concentrate on what divides us.

Our success has been achieved together. It can only continue together. Urban and rural, legislative and executive, house and senate, and yes even Democrat and Republican. We are all here to make Tennessee a better place.

Let's continue to believe in Tennessee together. Let's get to work.

Thank you.

### **PRESENTATION**

Senators Massey and Jackson introduced Mr. Edward Jackson III and Mrs. Chelsea Jackson to the Senate.

### **MOTION**

On motion of Senator Crowe, his name was added as sponsor of **Senate Bill No. 19**.

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**ENGROSSED BILLS**

January 8, 2019

MR. SPEAKER: Your Deputy Chief Clerk begs leave to report that we have carefully examined: Senate Joint Resolutions Nos. 41 and 42, and find same correctly engrossed and ready for transmission to the House.

ALAN WHITTINGTON  
Deputy Chief Clerk

**MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE**

January 8, 2019

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to return to the Senate, Senate Joint Resolutions Nos. 41 and 42, concurred in by the House.

TAMMY LETZLER  
Chief Clerk

**ADJOURNMENT**

Senator Johnson moved the Senate adjourn until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 9, 2019, which motion prevailed.